

STATE ELECTION COMMISSION, HARYANA  
NIRVACHAN SADAN, PLOT NO. 2, SECTOR-17, PANCHKULA

The 29th March, 2012

**No. SEC/2ME/2012/500.**—Whereas, the State Election Commission, Haryana, *vide* its Notification No. SEC/2ME/2012/40, dated 13th January, 2012 and subsequent Notification No. SEC/2ME/2012/177, dated 6th February, 2012 had prescribed a programme for preparation of electoral rolls of all wards of the Municipal Committees, Julana (Jind), Loharu (Bhiwani), Hathin (Palwal) and Kanina & Ateli Mandi (Mahendergarh) where general elections are due. According to the programme, draft publication of electoral rolls was required to be done on 24th January, 2012 under rule 7 of Haryana Municipal Election Rules, 1978. Based on the draft publication of electoral rolls, claims and objections could be filed by the interested persons up to 03.02.2012 under rule 9 *ibid* before the concerned Revising Authority. The last date for deciding the claims and objections by Revising Authority was 10th February, 2012 as per rule 10(1)(i)(ii) *ibid*. Aggrieved with the orders of the Revising Authority, appeals could be filed before Deputy Commissioner up to 14th February, 2012 under rule 10(2) *ibid* and the same were to be decided by 24th February, 2012 under rule 10(3) *ibid*. Final electoral rolls is to be prepared by making changes in the draft electoral rolls as per orders of Revising Authority on the claims and objections and orders of Deputy Commissioner on the appeals against the orders of the Revising Authority under rule 11 *ibid*. The final electoral rolls so prepared were required to be published by Deputy Commissioner on 28th February, 2012. After publication of the list, it was to be hosted on website of the district administration.

2. Whereas, after the draft publication of electoral rolls of the Municipalities on 24th January, 2012, the Commission had examined the number of claims/objections received by the Revising Authority concerned. It was observed that 22.14% increase of voters in Municipal Committee Kanina over the number of voters based on Assembly rolls published on 5th January, 2012, which the Commission finds *prima facie* to be unreasonable. The Deputy Commissioner, Mahendergarh was advised not to make final publication of electoral rolls of the, Committee unless the reason for such a large difference are properly identified and explained.

3. Whereas, Deputy Commissioner, Mahendergarh *vide* letter No. 158/LFA, dated 28/29th February, 2012 had reported that there were 7871 voters in the Assembly voter list and draft of 7095 voters of Municipal Committee, Kanina was published. Out of total 2519 claims and 771 objections, 2135 claims and 543 objections were accepted. Hence the figure came to 1592 votes. As of earlier the difference of 776 votes was between the Assembly rolls and the Municipal draft rolls. After adjustment of the claims/objections in the Assembly electoral rolls the figure came to 826 which is 10.49%. The reason for the increase of such voters is that out of 2135 claims, 685 claimants are the new voters. Hence the figure of the voters remains  $(826-685)=141$  only. These voters of ward No. 6, 7 & 13 are the shifted voters and their claims have been accepted on the basis of the documentary proof after their due verifications.

4. Whereas, the Commission had examined the reasons explained by the Deputy Commissioner for increase of huge number of voters in Municipal Committee, Kanina and accordingly the Commission *vide* its letter dated 7th March, 2012 had advised him to run de-duplicate software of NIC in respect of the Municipality concerned and send back the proposal afresh to the Commission.

5. Whereas, Deputy Commissioner, Mahendergarh *vide* his memo No. 193/LFA, dated 22nd March, 2012 has reported that in Municipal Committee, Kanina the verification of possible de-duplicate voters had been again, done by the Secretary of the Committee and the Naib Tehsildar. These are the individual voters and the verification of background of these voters had also been got done. There is no change as earlier reported to the Commission.

6. Therefore, in exercise of powers conferred under clause (1) of article 243ZA of the Constitution of India read with Section 3A of the Haryana Municipal Act, 1973, and Rules 3 to 11 of the Haryana Municipal Election Rules, 1978. State Election Commissioner, Haryana has directed to order that Deputy Commissioner Mahendergarh at Narnaul shall make publication of final electoral rolls of all wards of Municipal Committee, Kanina in the manner as prescribed by the Commission in its Notifications No. SEC/2ME/2012/40, dated 13th January, 2012 and No. SEC/2ME/2012/177, dated 6th February, 2012, *i.e.* based on draft publication and the orders of Revising Authority on the claims and objections and the orders of Appellate Authority on the appeals against the decisions of the Revising Authority, on 30th March, 2012.

By order.

Chandigarh :  
The 29th March, 2012

S. C. MEHTA,  
Secretary,  
State Election Commission, Haryana.